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June 19, 2002

Honorable Felix J. Boudreaux
Commissioner of Conservation
Post Office Box 94275
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

RE: Application for public hearing
Shuteston Field
St. Landry Parish, Louisiana
Grace K. Nunez VUA # 1 Well (SN 225965)

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

Application is hereby made on behalf of Davis Gulf Coast, Inc. for the calling of a public hearing to determine the following matters relative to the subject well:

1. Removal of Anderson Exploration Co., Inc. as operator of the Well;
2. Designation of Davis Gulf Coast, Inc. as operator of the Well;
3. To consider such other matters relating to the subject well and reservoir as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

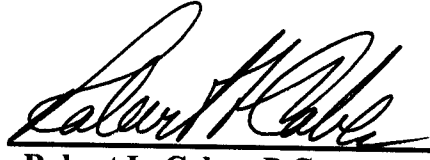
The Subject Well was drilled and completed by Anderson Exploration Co., Inc., ("Anderson") as successor to Austral Oil & Exploration, Inc. ("Austral"). Applicant is the record owner of all of the oil, gas and mineral leases within the Declared Unit previously established for the Subject Well. Applicant has become aware of serious and material breaches by Anderson of its obligations to operate the Subject Well and pay the costs incurred in the drilling, completion and operation of the well, as evidenced by numerous Affidavits of Lien and Privilege filed by parties who provided labor and materials for the drilling and completion of the Subject Well.

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Our firm's check in the amount of \$730 in payment of the hearing fee is included. Also enclosed is a copy of the list of interested parties to whom a copy of this application has been sent. A diligent effort has been made by applicant to determine the identities of such parties.

Respectfully submitted,

Milling Benson Woodward, L.L.P.



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CC: Mr. Richard D. Hudson, District Manager
Office of Conservation
All Interested Owners, Represented Parties
and Interested Parties